PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional) BERLX-88

\$110.00

RECEIVED

DEC 2 2 2003 TECH CENTER 1600/2900

In re Application of Edward M. CROZE et al. Application Number Filed 09/881.050 June 15, 2001

NOVEL INTERFERON FOR THE TREATMENT OF For MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS Group Art Unit Examiner 1646 J. L. Andres

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))

☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))

☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ __

 \boxtimes A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or

credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 13-3402. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the applicant/inventor.

assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). attorney or agent of record.

attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

December 15, 2003 Date

Nicole E. Kinsey, Reg. No. 50,723 Typed or printed name

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below*.

Total of forms are submitted.

Burden Neur Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.1 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the manual of times upon the second to the comment of the manual of times upon the second to the Christ Individual case. Any Office, Washington, OC 20231, DO NOT SEID FIES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO Commissioner of persist, P.O.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

12/18/2003 CCHRU1 00000096 09881050 01 FC:1251

110.00 GP

Ber of Patents, P Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313